



**NOTICE OF 30-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD  
PORTION OF CHARLESTON STEEL AND METAL SITE  
107 Brigade Street, Charleston, South Carolina**

The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) announces a 30-day period for citizens to comment on a potential Voluntary Cleanup Contract for the Charleston Steel And Metal Site. The contract, **VCC-5691-NRP**, will be between Ginn-LA Promenade SYS, LLC, and DHEC. The contract will allow Ginn-LA Promenade SYS, LLC, to purchase the property as a Brownfields site, which may have environmental pollution resulting from past practices. Ginn-LA Promenade SYS, LLC, did not create the pollution, but wishes to buy the property and voluntarily clean it up for reuse. If this contract is implemented, DHEC will not hold Ginn-LA Promenade SYS, LLC, liable under State Superfund laws for pre-existing contamination in exchange for performing work under the Voluntary Cleanup Program. If contamination has spread off of the property, State law will not allow affected parties to file suit against Ginn-LA Promenade SYS, LLC, for the past operations; however, legal action may be pursued against any former owners or operators.

The Brownfields site being purchased by Ginn-LA Promenade SYS, LLC, consists of 5.9 acres identified by tax map #464-00-00-017 and is located on Brigade Street between the CSX railway (parallel to Morrison Street) and N. Romney Street. The property has been used as a junkyard and metal recycling facility since 1938. Environmental contamination may have occurred from the past operations.

Ginn-LA Promenade SYS, LLC intends to redevelop the property into mixed-use commercial and recreational uses. Due to the potential for environmental pollution at the site, Ginn-LA Promenade SYS, LLC wishes to enter into a contract under DHEC's Voluntary Cleanup Program. Under the proposed contract, Ginn-LA Promenade SYS, LLC will test samples of soil, groundwater, sediment, and surface water. If contamination is found, Ginn-LA Promenade SYS, LLC will be required to take additional steps to protect human health and the environment based on the laboratory findings. The proposed contract is available at <http://www.scdhec.gov/lwm/html/public.asp>. Printed copies may be obtained from the DHEC Freedom of Information Office at (803) 898-3882.

DHEC promotes redevelopment and revitalization of Brownfields sites across the state so that these properties do not become abandoned or unusable. Public comments on proposed Brownfields contracts assist DHEC in balancing the environmental and redevelopment issues to be in the best interest of the state. Any comments or questions may be directed to Jo Cherie Overcash, Project Manger, email [overcajc@dhec.sc.gov](mailto:overcajc@dhec.sc.gov) telephone (803) 896- 4019, or Craig Dukes, Brownfields Public Information Coordinator, SCDHEC – Bureau of Land and Waste Management, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29201; email [dukescv@dhec.sc.gov](mailto:dukescv@dhec.sc.gov), TOLL-FREE telephone (866) 576-3432. Citizens may provide written, email, or telephone comments on the Charleston Steel and Metal Site proposed contract until February 27, 2007.